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THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20505

National Intelligence Officers

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for National Foreign Assessment
NFAC Senior Review Panel

FROM: National Intelligence Officer for Strategic Programs

SUBJECT: NIE 11-12-80, PROSPECTS FOR SOVIET MILITARY TECHNOLOGY

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Spivey
1. Attached for your information is the Working Group Chairman's response to the SRP comments and recommendations regarding the draft of this Estimate.

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2. I have approved his proposal to make the indicated adjustments in the draft and, per your previous decision, to send the adjusted draft to NFIB Representatives without further review.

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3. Because of the bulk of this Estimate (including Annexes) and its importance, the Representatives have requested three weeks for review prior to the beginning of coordination meetings. We have acceded to that request and have scheduled meetings to begin on 17 March.

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4. The SALT Working Group under NSC Staff chairmanship is currently conducting studies to prepare for possible SALT III and LRTNF negotiations. This work involves, among other things, consideration of long-term future trends in Soviet military programs and capabilities. The group has requested, via NFAC's Arms Control Intelligence Staff, that they be granted access to the forthcoming draft of 11-12 to assist them in their work. Unless otherwise directed, we plan to accede to that request, and to send copies to the principal requesting office in USDRE as well.

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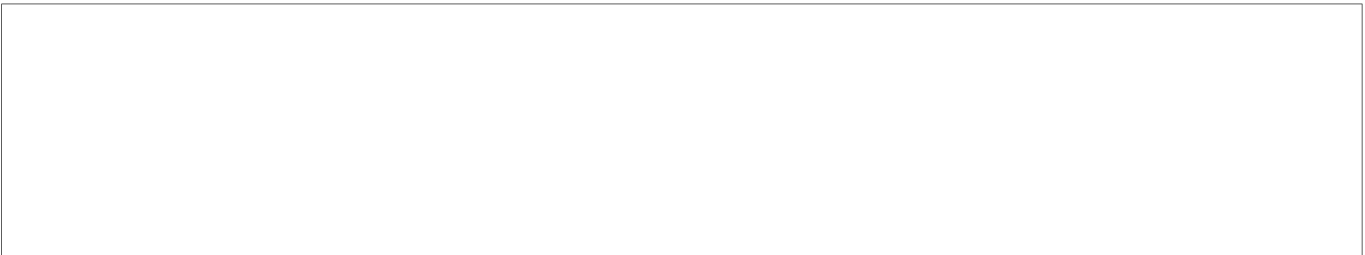
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Howard Stoertz, Jr.

Attachment

cc: Director of Scientific Intelligence
Director of Weapons Intelligence
Director of Strategic Research

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